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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.191

Applicants respectfully appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated June 13, 2003, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1, 3, and 5 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed with the concurently filed Reply to the final Office Action mailed on June 13, 2003 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including December 15, 2003, as December 13th was a Saturday, as well as a check in the payment of the required extension fee.

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Respectfully submitted,

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